

## BRIDGEPORT IN THE OLDEN DAYS

This Day in 1820

In an old copy of the Republican Farmer appears the following account of one of the frequent mail robberies of the times. This one took place on March 25, 1820, on the stage which ran between Bridgeport and New York.

"Another attempt to rob the mail—For a few days past, a man who calls his name Smith" has been attempting to seduce the driver of the eastern mail stage into a conspiracy to rob the mail. The driver having acted with great discretion on the occasion, has been the means of arresting the man, and frustrating his wicked intentions. He pretended to Smith that he would aid in the robbery and share with him in the plunder; in the meantime he informed General Bailey of the circumstances, who took measures accordingly. Yesterday (Sunday) morning, being the time agreed upon, the robber took his station on the front seat of the coach with the driver, as they started from East Chester. He soon opened the mail with a false key, and took out several packages; when, on a signal from the driver, the gentlemen inside the coach, Mr. Curtis, a police officer, and Mr. Wiley, of the post office, immediately secured him. The villain is safe in Bridewell. It was his intention to have opened the mail occasionally with his false key and take out a few packages, then to close it—so that no clue could have been had to the manner of the robbery, and suspicion would have been fixed upon the postmasters.

"We understand that when examined at the Police Office yesterday, he stated his name to be Smith Davis. He was fully committed to take his trial before the circuit court in April next."

The same paper contains the following advertisement concerning another mail robbery.

"Five Hundred Dollars Reward. Post office, Baltimore, Saturday, March 25, 10 a. m."

"The Eastern Mail robbed on the Philadelphia road. The horses were found about three miles from the town, tied in the wood. The mail was discovered about 3 miles from town, entirely destroyed and the driver murdered. A reward of \$500 dollars will be paid by the Postmaster general for the apprehension on conviction of each one concerned in the robbery."

"It is respectfully suggested that such citizens as have horses, would do well to join in the pursuit of the mail, and the robbers, as has been done with alacrity and with uniform success by the citizens of Jersey, Connecticut and other places."

"All of the Neck, as far as North Point ought to be thoroughly searched. It may be that the Mail was taken down Herring Run in a boat."

"Let those disposed to turn out, repair immediately to Washington Square."

"J. L. SKINNER, P. M."

The news of the murder of the driver and the robbery of the mail was

brought to Bridgeport by an express rider who saw the driver, who "was found tied to a tree, and his body perforated with two balls."

The same paper contains an account of the duel in which Commodore Stephen Decatur was shot and killed by Commodore Barron. Both were wounded at the first fire. Commodore Decatur died at his home in Washington and his opponent recovered. An extended account of the funeral follows.

### IN LOCAL LODGE ROOMS

Doings in the lodge rooms last night.

#### I. O. O. F.

Adelphi Lodge, I. O. O. F., worked the third degree upon two candidates, voted upon five names and received the same number of applications. George Kackorowsky was installed as inside guard. Plans for the visit of the lodge to Ousatonie lodge, Derby, on April 12, were perfected. The lodge will leave the city in a special car.

#### N. E. O. P.

Mrs. James Clark and Mrs. Mary A. Bently were elected at the meeting of Sterling lodge, N. E. O. P., as delegates to represent the lodge at the grand lodge meeting, Hartford, April 14. Charles A. Smith and Peter H. Kearns were chosen as alternates. Three applications were also received.

#### O. S. C.

Plans were completed at the meeting of Clan Campbell, O. S. C., for the celebration of the 22nd anniversary of the clan, to be held in Pioneer Hall, Wednesday. The affair will be in the form of a banquet, concert and dance for the members of the clan and their friends.

#### D. O. F. A.

Mayflower Council, D. O. F. A., received three applications and held a whist party for the members only at the close of the business meeting. The council is planning for a class initiation in April.

#### B. O. F. A.

One application was received at the meeting of Progressive Circle, B. O. F. A., and plans were perfected for the 11th annual soiree to be held in Eagles' hall on April 21.

#### S. O. F. ST. G.

Past President James Youngs installed the newly elected officers of Magna Charter lodge, S. O. F. St. G., while an application was received from the team representing the West Side. A social followed the meeting.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs quickly, strengthens the lungs and expels colds. Get the genuine in a yellow package. F. B. Brill, local agent.

Now is the Time to select your Easter millinery. E. H. Dillon & Co. are displaying the largest assortment ever before seen in Bridgeport at prices within the reach of all.

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TO RENT.—5 rooms, all improvements, 861 Wood Ave. S 13 a t

FOR RENT.—One store and rent, 1786 Main St. H 3 t

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TO RENT.—5 room flat, all modern improvements, 60 East Main St. 4 room flats, modern improvements, 10, Sterling and Noble; 3 rooms, 37, 3 Sterling St. Inquire 63 East Main, or Attorney Meitzer. S 25 d

TO RENT.—5 rooms Ellsworth St., all improvements, 5 rooms, Sixth St., all imp.; 5 rooms Carroll Ave., all imp.; 5 rooms, Carroll Place, all imp.; 5 rooms, Elmwood Ave., all imp.; Hurlburt & Co., agents, 1094 Main St. S 16 t

FOR RENT.—The office formerly occupied by the late Dr. Norval Smith, No. 486 Shelton St. This is a splendid spot for a physician. There is a nice practice, worked up for the past two years, and the rent for the office is very reasonable. Inquire, H. L. Blackwell, Room 105 Warner Bldg., 82 Fairfield Ave.

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749 Wood Ave., 6 rooms, \$18  
988 Norman St., 8 room house, \$36  
112 Pacific St., 4 rooms, \$14  
32 Wells St., 5 rooms, \$14  
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